GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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REQUEST OF STATES FOR ALLOCATION OF COAL BLOCKS
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments have requested the Union Government to allocate more coal blocks for their State undertakings;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise till date; and

(c) the action taken so far by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL(DR.DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a)&(b): A list of 27 coal blocks − 10 for power sector and 17 for other uses was circulated,vide letter dated 7th November, 2006 from the Ministry of Coal,to the State Governments and Central Ministries for allocation to Central/ State Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under their control.They were advised to submit applications by 19.01.2007.A total of 183 applications were received from Central/State PSUs for blocks earmarked for power sector and 73 applications for other coal blocks.A list indicating the statistical details of number of applications and number of PSUs which had submitted applications from different States, is given in the annexure.

(c): These applications were examined by the Government and all the 27 coal blocks have been allocated to different Central/ State PSUs.